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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application: John R. Liddicoat et al.
Serial No.: 09/760,222
Filing Date: 01/12/2001
For: TISSUE ANNULOPLASTY BAND AND APPARATUS
AND METHOD FOR FASHIONING, SIZING AND
IMPLANTING THE SAME
Group Art Unit: 3738
Examiner: Crystal M. Gilpin
Attorney's Docket No.: VIA-14

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